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Writes His Parents
Interesting Letter
Serves With Marines

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ross of Glenwood avenue have just received a most interesting letter from their son, William, who is enrolled as a private in the Marine Corps of the U. S. and now stationed at the Marine barracks in Cavite in the Philippines. His letter of the early summer tells of his efforts to qualify as a sharpshooter with the anti-aircraft guns on the range. He also indulges in a bit of personal experience and speaks of going with a friend on a five-day leave, up along the Moron trail, into the wilds of the country where men are still savage and despise the white man. They met such a group of natives and true to form, were pounced upon, when a slugging match ensued and William's friend was darter with their barbs. William's revolver saved them but he had to carry his suffering friend many miles on his back toward the base at Cavite. It was necessary to remove the poisoned dart, by sucking out the blood and applying a tourniquet, which he did, and which the doctors said probably saved his life. His friend had been struck in the arm and also in the leg. William said that he had to summon all his strength, under the excitement of the moment, and that the experience is enough for a long time. His friend has recovered and they are now both back in the ranks and ready with the rifle for any orders Uncle Sam may have for the Marines.

Congregational Church Services For Week

Sunday school at 10; Morning worship at 11; the minister will be Dr. David R. Porter, headmaster at Mt. Hermon school; Christian Endeavor meets at 7; the 8 o'clock service will be in charge of the young men and women of the church.

Tuesday, Bible class meets with Mrs. Giebel at the home of Mrs. J. R. Colton at 3 p. m.

Wednesday, Womene Missionary society meets at 3 at the home of Mrs. W. M. Marshall on Highland avenue. Topic, "Christmas in Song and Story" in charge of Miss Isabella Thompson and Mrs. Marshall.

Thursday, all-day meeting of the Ladies Sewing society. Mid-week prayer meeting at 7:15, in charge of Dr. Sherman. Choir rehearsal at 8.

Speaks At Hermon

Dean-emeritus Charles R. Brown of Yale Divinity school was the speaker Sunday at Mt. Hermon school. At the morning service his topic was "The Deeper Insight" and at vespers he gave his famous address, "What is your name?" Carlton W. L'Hommedieu gave an organ recital at the close of the vesper service.

Dean Brown said that there is a deeper meaning to the processes of the universe than many will admit. Is there intelligence behind creation? Did a mechanical device or happenchance cause the remarkable pattern of the earth and sky as we see it? Can a machine create literature, music, science, and religion as we know it? To believe that demands a stretch of credulity.

The stream does not rise higher than its source. The universe can best be explained only by a divine purpose, even though God cannot be proved by scientific demonstration.

The Fortnightly

Next Friday afternoon, Dec. 6, at 3 o'clock in Alexander hall, the Fortnightly club will meet to hear an address on "Current Books" to be given by Mrs. George Davis of Deerfield. There will be a short business session, and tea will be served by the hostesses, Mrs. Geo. Tompson, Miss Mand Hamilton and Mrs. Reuben Eikert.

George N. Kidder has begun the erection of a small cottage on his property off Parker avenue.

TAXPAYERS' SPEAKER



DeWITT C. POOLE
Career man in Foreign Service
and foreign director of School of
Public Affairs, Princeton, will be
principal speaker at annual meeting
of Massachusetts Federation of
Taxpayers Associations, Boston,
December 7.

Thanksgiving At Northfield Seminary

Among the alumnae of Northfield seminary who early this week had signed to Alumnae Secretary, Mabel Darrah, their intention of returning to campus for Thanksgiving are nine girls who left the seminary last June. They are Vida Timbers of Boston; Priscilla Alden of Colby Junior college; Dorothy Fenner of Wellesley college; Dorothy Bullard of the University of Vermont; Ruth May of Westbrook Junior college; Virginia Spurling of Cambridge; Shirley Burr of Pembroke college; Lois Mahan of Williamstown, and Deborah McNair of Brooklyn.

Many others returned for the day but did not sign the register in time to be included in this list.

The Thanksgiving Day speaker was the Rev. Truman Heminway of Sherburne, Vt., father of two girls now attending the seminary, Lynette and Olivia Heminway. He spoke in Sage chapel at 10:30 a. m. A moving picture, "The Boys from Syracuse," was shown in Silverthorne hall at 5:30, and also a short ski movie. The joint Northfield-Hermon orchestra, led by Paul Ivory, made its initial appearance and entertained the students for half an hour before the picture was shown.

During the afternoon there was a showing of the afghans made by Miss Marian Keller's knitting club for British War Relief.

Goes Through Fence While Driving Auto

Emerging from the C. V. underpass on the road to Hermon, Tuesday afternoon, Miss Dorothy Peaslee of the Mt. Hermon school business office ran her car to the left of the highway, razing several of the posts and then went over the bank. The rays of the bright sun in the western sky had blinded her, she said. A passerby took Miss Peaslee to her home and a state police inspector who chanced along, investigated. Miss Peaslee suffered no injuries, but the car was badly damaged.

Heed The Chalk Lines

The newspapers of the state are calling attention of the motorists of the state, to heed the chalk lines of the highways. Public Works Commissioner John W. Beal, in his weekly road bulletin, says motorists should respect the divisional and center lines which have been painted on the highways to channelize traffic and prevent passing accidents. Highway crews have just completed painting 1500 miles of white lines, which is 500 more than a year ago. Motorists should never cross a solid white line. Incidentally never park your car on the left hand side of the road.

Fine Progress Made

The new Center school building adjoining the high school is progressing well in its construction and as its shape is showing up, many citizens are attracted and most favorable comments are heard. The brick walls on all sides are up, the partitions are in place on the lower and main floors and the roof will soon be in place. It is said that the special building committee have the cost entirely within the appropriation and that will please the taxpayers. The heavy fall of snow Wednesday was the first serious handicap to progress.

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State Federation Taxpayers Associations To Meet In Boston

Gov. Leverett Saltonstall and DeWitt C. Poole, diplomat and educator, will be the principal speakers at the ninth annual meeting of the Mass. Federation of Taxpayers associations. The meeting will be held at the Hotel Statler, Boston, Dec. 7.

The occasion will bring together delegates and members of Taxpayers associations from cities and towns across the state. The program will center around the theme "Meeting the Challenge to American Democracy."

Poole, a career man in the foreign service of the United States, later director of the School of Public Affairs at Princeton university, and now a business in Providence, will speak on "Has Democracy a Future in the United States?"

Replies to this challenge, Poole will draw on his experience in Berlin, Paris and Moscow during and after the first world war, a period in which he saw at first hand the outbreak of the Russian revolution and the breeding of the conditions in Europe which gave rise to the second world war.

Gov. Saltonstall will summarize some of the steps to improve the administration of state affairs taken during the first year in Massachusetts' history without a session of the Legislature.

Other speakers will be Reginald W. Ford, president, and Norman MacDonald, executive director, of the State Federation.

The morning session, beginning at 10:30 will be over to the annual business meeting of the Federation at which delegates from city and town associations will elect directors of the State Federation and will establish legislative policy of the federations.

More than a score of prominent state officials and legislative leaders will attend. Officials of the town of Northfield have been invited to attend.

TOWN TOPICS

Mr. and Mrs. A. Gordon Moody have returned from a vacation and motor trip to Washington and Savannah, Ga.

On Sunday evening at 7:30 the Young Peoples Forum of the Congregational church will present Mrs. George Kornstadt of Greenfield speaking on "Parliamentary Law." Everyone is invited to attend these very interesting meetings and to stay for light refreshments which conclude the evening.

Mrs. John Simpson, age 73, died at her home in Providence, R. I. last week Wednesday. She was born here in Northfield and for a time lived in Hinsdale, N. H. where she leaves a brother, Fred J. Veber.

Mrs. Bessie Symonds of Highland avenue will spend the month of December with her daughter and husband, at Worcester, after which she will go to Orlando, Fla. to spend the winter season.

Because of illness, Rev. John Wightman of Florence was compelled to cancel his engagement to preach at the Congregational church last Sunday morning. Rev. Orvil E. Mirtz of Mt. Hermon school substituted in his stead.

Calendars for the new year are beginning to make their appearance and the first to be distributed in this town are coming from the office of A. P. Fitt. Better call for one while the supply lasts.

Motorists going to Brattleboro are advised to use the Vernon route, as the construction work for the approaches to the new bridge at Hinsdale provides only mighty tough going.

It is reported that Mrs. Everett Kingbury is at the Brattleboro hospital for rest and treatment.

The Ripley family, who left last election day for a vacation and visit with relatives in the south, returned home on Monday. They report that they have a deluge of orders for their fine Northfield colonial rugs, received during their absence.

Miss Margaret Ross, who spent the summer at her home in the Highlands, has been visiting friends in Hutchinson, Kansas and at Chicago for the past month, but is now at Lynn Haven, Florida, where she will spend the winter.

It is reported that Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Lanphear have purchased a lot on Birnam road from the Northfield Hotel company and plan to build a small home.

Miss Fanny C. Hatch, with her sister, have rented an apartment in St. Petersburg, Florida, where they will spend the winter.

Prof. J. Glover Johnson of Mt. Hermon school was the preacher at the Congregational church in Hinsdale last Sunday.

Leach In Trouble Held For Grand Jury Has Auto Escapade

A young man of this town, William B. Leach, 23, married with a wife and two children, was in district court in Orange Tuesday morning, charged with armed robbery and unauthorized use of a car. Judge Hartley R. Walker found probable cause and bound him over for the Grand Jury, under \$5,000, which meets in January. Police said Leach appeared at an auto saleroom on Monday in Clinton and stated that he wanted to buy a car. A new Buick met his fancy and he told the salesman, he wanted his wife at Northfield to see it. And so together they drove on via Orange and Warwick. In the Warwick woods, Leroy Smith, who was the salesman, said he was forced out of the car at the point of a gun and the man, not known at that time, fled with the car. Smith ran to the Warwick postoffice where he notified Athol state police. A general broadcast was sent out.

Two hours later, about 5:45 p. m. Corporal Charles Furze of the Shelburne Falls barracks received a complaint from a Vernon filling station attendant named Basewell, by two to one, over the Red Maple, which is second choice. In the naming of the bird, the Chicadee, leads two to one, over the Song Sparrow which is second choice. The list of trees voted for include the Elm, the Paper Birch, the Red Maple, the Red Oak, the White Pine, the Maple, the Sugar Maple and the Rock Maple. Birds voted for include Barn Swallow, Bobolink, Chickadee, Song Sparrow, Wood Duck, Robbin and Blue Bird. We shall publish the exact figures of the vote later, when the opportunity to vote has been closed. Now you fair readers, wake up, get busy and indicate your choice. DO IT NOW!

Your Favorite Tree Your Favorite Bird Was Your Choice Made

A petition will be sent to the State Legislature this coming session, asking that official approval be given in the selection of a state tree and a state bird, as characteristic of the states natural life. The petition will be prepared by the Massachusetts Park and Forest Association and the State Audubon Society, and through the PRESS, the people of this town were invited to express their preferences. A coupon, indicating already favored choices, has been printed for three weeks, and a large number of responses have come in and been tabulated. The surprising thing is that many who

should record their preferences through the ballot have failed to do so. The opportunity will continue for another week, so cut out the ballot from one of the last three issues of the PRESS and send it in NOW. In the voting thus far, the ballots indicate Northfield residents are in favor of the American Elm, by two to one, over the Red Maple, which is second choice.

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Town Clerk Notified Count Governors Vote Here Again On Monday

Official notice from the office of State Secretary Frederic W. Cook, has been sent to Mrs. Josephine Haskell our Town Clerk, that a recount is necessary in the votes for Governor, received at the recent election. The Board of Registrars will conduct the recount on Monday, Dec. 2 at the town hall, and representatives of the Republican and Democratic committees will be in attendance.

Attorney Ralph C. Maher of Orange has been named as the Republican counsel. The recount was requested by the Democratic State committee in behalf of Attorney General Paul A. Dever, the Democratic candidate for governor and by the Republican State committee in behalf of Governor Saltonstall. The recount will be conducted throughout the state. The vote in Northfield as recorded and filed by the town clerk with the Secretary of State was Saltonstall 759, Dever 171. The belief among those who ought to know, is that there will be no change in these figures. The official tabulation of the figures of the recent election just completed by the Governor's Executive Council, show that Saltonstall received 7450 as his victory margin, exact figures being Saltonstall 999,864, Dever 992,414. There were 2,088,825, votes cast in the gubernatorial election, of which 53,465 were blank. Not within the memory of our citizens has any voter in a state wide office contest, lost on a recount, although several recounts have taken place. 351 cities and towns will witness the recount.

Christmas Seal Sale Mrs. Lilly Has Charge Of Local Distribution

The Franklin County Public Health association's annual Christmas seal sale opened this week with the mailing of approximately 5000 letters containing sheets of the 1940 seals to friends throughout the county.

This year's campaign is again being directed by Willis H. Weisbrod of Greenfield. Assisting him in various parts of the country are 29 local chairmen, including Mrs. F. Earl Lilly of Northfield. The association seeks to raise \$4950 with which to carry on its share of the national effort to eradicate tuberculosis during the coming year.

Next Sunday has been designated by the National Tuberculosis association as "Tuberculosis Sunday." Rev. John B. Whitman, rector of St. James Episcopal church, Greenfield, has consented to act as Tuberculosis Sunday chairman. He has written every clergyman in the county, asking them to call the urgency of this year's appeal to their respective congregations next Sunday. The campaign will close Dec. 25.

Ticket Sale Begins For Symphony Concerts

The campaign has opened for the sale of tickets to the series of concerts to be given by the Pioneer Valley Symphony orchestra, which includes players from the various towns of the county and from Brattleboro, Vernon and Keene. Harold A. Leslie of Greenfield is the musical director of the organization which has been holding rehearsals for the past several weeks. At a meeting of the officers and directors of the Symphony association held last week in Greenfield, several friends were invited and the sale of tickets launched. The first concert will be Sunday, Dec. 8 in Greenfield, followed by others, with program planned also for Northfield and Brattleboro. Mrs. A. Gordon Moody is the Northfield director and others who attended the meeting last week from this town were Mrs. Ray Thompson, Mrs. Martin E. Vorce, Curtis Carmean and Leon Dunnell.

Masonic Instruction

The Lodge of Instruction for members of the Masonic fraternity will gather for its next session with Mechanics Lodge of Turners Falls on Tuesday evening, Dec. 17 at 8 o'clock. The address will be by Rt. Wor. Ronald Astley on "What Masonry needs today." The November meeting was held this week Tuesday evening with Mt. Sugar Loaf Lodge of South Deerfield. Prof. William W. Stifer spoke on International Masonry. There was a good representation of members of Harmony Lodge of this town. Wor. Ralph M. Fornash of Harmony Lodge is the Master of the Lodge of Instruction.

The Flag Speaks

Some time ago the American Legion embarked upon a campaign to instill in American hearts a greater love and respect for the nation's flag. It resulted in the filming of "The Flag Speaks" which is being shown at the Victoria Theatre, Greenfield, this Friday and Saturday. It is a magnificent short subject repellent in exquisite technicolor, pulsating with action, and inspiring to a degree rarely attained in motion pictures. Because of its appeal and excellence every American should see it.

The Historical Society

Notices have gone out to members of the Historical Society that the annual meeting of the organization will be held next Monday evening with a supper at 6:30 o'clock at the Bronson Inn. Reports of the year will be presented and directors chosen, after which William A. Barr will address the members on American art of the colonial period. Reservations should be made by those planning to attend the supper.

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Hermon-Seminary Sunday Speakers

Dr. George B. Cutten, president of Colgate university, will speak at both the 10:30 a. m. and 5 p. m. services at Mt. Hermon Memorial Chapel on Sunday, Dec. 1, 1940.

Dr. Cutten is well-known in this locality. Both services at Russell Sage Chapel will be led by another college president, Dr. Buell Gallagher of Talladega college in Alabama, brother of the Northfield schools' choral director, Melvin L. Gallagher. Northfield seminary services are at 11 a. m. and 5 p. m.

The women of St. Patrick's church will give a roast turkey supper at the town hall on Wednesday evening, Dec. 4 from 6 to 8 o'clock.

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Unitarian Gathering Meets New Minister

Aliens registration will end on Dec. 26 and all non-citizens who have not registered within that time are warned that severe penalties will follow for failure to comply with the Federal law. Gov. Saltonstall of Massachusetts has issued a statement urging all aliens within the state to register promptly without delay. All aliens 14 years of age and over must register in person and be fingerprinted. Aliens under 14 must be registered by their parents or guardians. At the East Northfield postoffice, where registering is done for this district, Postmaster M. C. Skilton, reports that 99 aliens have already responded and have completed the registration, but there are probably

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Red Maple ()	Chickadee ()
Red Oak ()	Song Sparrow ()
White Pine ()	Wood Duck ()
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(Signed)

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Get out this Ballot and Mail to Editor Northfield (Mass.) Press

TOWN TOPICS

Mrs. A. F. Bennett left last week to spend a portion of the winter in New York, Philadelphia and New Jersey. She will also visit with her son, Dr. John Bennett and family in South Carolina.

The week has brought quite cold weather, strong winds, and sub-normal temperatures following the several rainy days of last week. Although we have had frosts and some snow squalls, the first real fall of snow was Tuesday night.

At the Center school the sixth and seventh grade pupils each presented Thanksgiving play, at the weekly assembly under the direction of Miss Braley. Songs and poetry were featured. The plays depicted the first Thanksgiving at Plymouth.

The local Boy Scouts held their meeting on Monday evening and several of the Scouts have passed their tests. They discussed plans to participate in the coming "Court of Honor" for Boy Scouts which will be held soon in Greenfield.

Clayton Miller, Master of Northfield Grange and Mrs. Miller were given a surprise party last week at their home in Greenfield in honor of their 20th wedding anniversary. It was also the 17th birthday of their daughter, Pauline. Many attended from Northfield.

The Selectmen, the Finance Committee, the Town Auditor, and Town Treasurer were in session at the town hall on Tuesday evening.

Rev. Dr. John B. Whiteman of St. James Episcopal church of Greenfield was the speaker, at the Thanksgiving morning service at Mr. Hermon Memorial chapel yesterday at 11 o'clock.

On the greenward in front of the Northfield hotel, is a replica of a "nature garden in November." It has proved to be very attractive and engages the attention of many visitors.

Postmaster Milton forwarded this week the first orders to Spurgeon Gage for his fine Orlando oranges. Twelve orders will be shipped very soon.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Mroczek, of Maple St., who is at the Franklin county hospital as the result of being struck by an automobile some weeks ago, is gradually improving although she will be crippled for some time to come. There were four serious fractures.

Dr. and Mrs. Allen H. Wright spent Thanksgiving Day with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence White at their home in Boston. Miss June Wright joined them at the family dinner and returned with her parents to Northfield today.

Mrs. Henry Johnson and her daughter Grace, who have been ill during the past week are much improved.

A group of women who are enrolled in the extension service course of studies in dress making, met at the high school on Tuesday evening.



The Chevrolet

Sold in Northfield by the Jordan Motor Sales of Hinsdale road. Here is a good description of the new 1941 car, as seen by a representative of the Press at the salesroom recently.

Gains in appearance and roominess are apparent in the 1941 Chevrolet. Underlying outward changes are chassis and engine refinements for power, smoothness, riding ease and durability. The two series, Special De Luxe and Master De Luxe have knee action. Vacuum power shift is standard on all models.

The two new series differ in standard equipment, decoration and trim. The cars are longer, wider and lower, and are highlighted with chromium and stainless steel. The radiator grille ensemble is enclosed in a chromium-plated die-cast frame. The redesigned hood is wider to conform to the wider grille and larger body. Valleys between the hood and the front fenders are eliminated. "Sealed-Beam" headlamps in front fenders are spaced 5 1/4 inches farther apart and slightly nearer the ground. Flush-type parking lamps are just below the headlamps.

Running boards are eliminated. Beneath the lower edge of the door is a safety step surfaced

with heavily ribbed rubber. Door panels follow the contour of the door column pillar and terminate at the bottom in an outward flare.

Slope of the windshield and rear window is increased. The rear glass is curved in all directions to blend with the body contour.

Front seats hold three persons and rear seats are wider through the cushion and at arm and shoulder level. The new bodies' greater length allows the rear seat to be set farther ahead of the rear axle.

Instrument dials are in the line of sight, knobs within easy reach and illumination of the dash may be varied from bright to dim, or turned completely off, by rotating the light-control button.

The six-cylinder valve-in-head engine has horsepower stepped up from 85 to 90 without increasing piston displacement — principally by redesigning the combustion chamber to increase compression ratio from 6.25-1 to 6.50-1. Added power is achieved without compromising economy of gasoline or oil.

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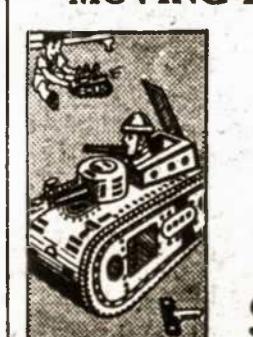
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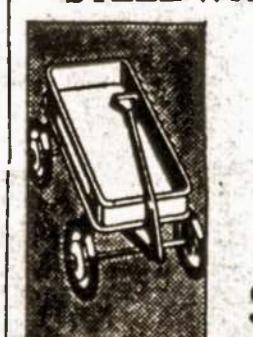
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Native: Not in this village, ma'am. Not in this village!

This, beamed the proud father, handing over his young offspring, "is my chief asset."

"No," was the answer, "this is the worst fix I was ever in."

Little Betty, watching the farm hands spreading out a stack of hay to dry, could contain her

curiosity no longer, so she politely asked: "Is it a needle you're looking for?"

A policeman was questioning a man pinned under his car in an accident. "Are you married?"

"No," was the answer, "this is the worst fix I was ever in."

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"Yes, indeed," commented his friend as he tossed the child back,

"a liquidizing asset at that!"

A salesman became tired of his job and joined the police force. Several months later a friend asked him how he liked his new position.

He replied: "Well the pay is fair and the hours satisfactory, but what I like best of all is the fact that the customer is always wrong."

Teacher: Willie, define the word "punctura."

Willie: A punctura is a little hole in a tire, usually found a great distance from a garage.

FLORIDA LIQUID SUNSHINE - TREE-RIPENED FRUIT

Our notice comes to you a bit earlier this year since so many inquiries have come asking for our earliest shipping. This 5th season promises the best quality of fruit thus far. During November and early December we are shipping the earlier varieties of oranges and grapefruit. These are not so deeply colored outside but the quality inside is the important item. We ship no color-added fruit.

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TOWN TOPICS

The hunting season began in Vermont Thursday of last week and some South Vernon residents secured their deer.

The music festival of the Western Massachusetts high schools will again be held in Athol next May. Information to this effect has just been announced.

Work is proceeding rapidly on the new concrete bridge in Winchester on the Northfield-Winchester highway. The old covered bridge has been removed and a temporary bridge arranged to care for traffic.

The concrete bridge over the Warwick brook on the Northfield-Warwick road is nearing completion and with the approaches the job will shortly be finished.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving J. Lawrence of this town were called to Rochester, N. Y. last week Thursday by the death of Mrs. Lawrence's mother, Mrs. Charles Pease of that city. They remained for the funeral services which were held on Saturday.

A. P. Fitt is in Lewiston, Maine this week to join with Mrs. Fitt in spending the Thanksgiving holiday at the home of his daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Powell.

Dr. David Tompkins is making a fine improvement at his home on Winchester road, since his return from the hospital. The daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Tompkins, Mrs. Herbert Randolph, her husband and family, have returned to their home in Westfield, N. J. after having spent the week with them.

The public schools closed on Wednesday at noon for the Thanksgiving holiday. For the Christmas vacation the schools will close Friday, Dec. 20 and reopen Monday, Jan. 6.

A letter from Edward D. Sirois, chairman of the Republican State committee extends to the members of the Northfield Republican town committee, the appreciation of the state committee and the Republican candidates for office, for "the splendid work and loyal service, given in the recent campaign."

Salvation Army representative Wealey G. Winsor, began the personal solicitation of funds in Northfield, Monday to supplement the contributions sent in by mail to Treasurer William F. Hoehn. Mr. Winsor carried the proper signed credentials of Chairman Ross L. Spencer.

The South school P.T. A. will have a business meeting and Christmas social next Tuesday evening with Mrs. Beulah Dunklee in charge.

The Northfield Grange held its regular meeting Tuesday evening at the hall, when a Thanksgiving program was rendered in charge of the lecturer, Mrs. Gertrude Gibson.

Notices have been posted at the postoffices here again this year, that all stubble must be burned or plowed under at least six inches by December 1st. The corn borer is the reason for the demand.

Ralph Forsyth Jr., is at his home for the Thanksgiving holiday from his studies at Rutgers college.

Miss Lois V. Giebel spent the weekend with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Giebel, at their home on Main street.

Miss Emma Alexander has been quite ill at the home of her sister, Mrs. C. H. Webster during the past week.

The Fish and Game association held a regular meeting at the town hall on Monday evening. Plans were considered for the holding of a supper.

Rev. Robert Bonner Jack of this town, delivered the sermon on Thanksgiving day morning at the Congregational church, which was well attended by our townspeople.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Langus and daughter Jean have taken rooms in Holyoke, where Mr. Langus is working on the airport.

Mrs. Benjamin White left Monday to be away several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Smart and baby have moved to Greenfield. Mr. Smart is employed by the Threadwell Tap and Die Co.

Warren Buffum of Winchester, N. H. has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Carroll Rich. He has just returned from an extensive business trip to Bermuda, Lisbon, Madeira, and South Africa.

Mrs. Abbie Parker of Greenfield was a recent guest of Mrs. A. H. Farnum.

Mrs. R. B. Holton and son Clinton and daughter Ruth are spending the Thanksgiving week-end with her father in Belleville, N. J.

Miss Julie Smith of Brattleboro spent the week-end with her brother, Donald and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Newton of Fitchburg were weekend guests of his sister, Mrs. C. D. Streeter.

Mrs. R. G. Lachey will spend Thanksgiving with her sister, Mrs. Ella Forrester in Wardsboro, Vt.

John Miner has returned to Mt. Hermon and is living in Cottage III on the campus.

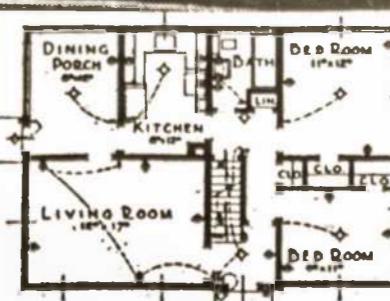
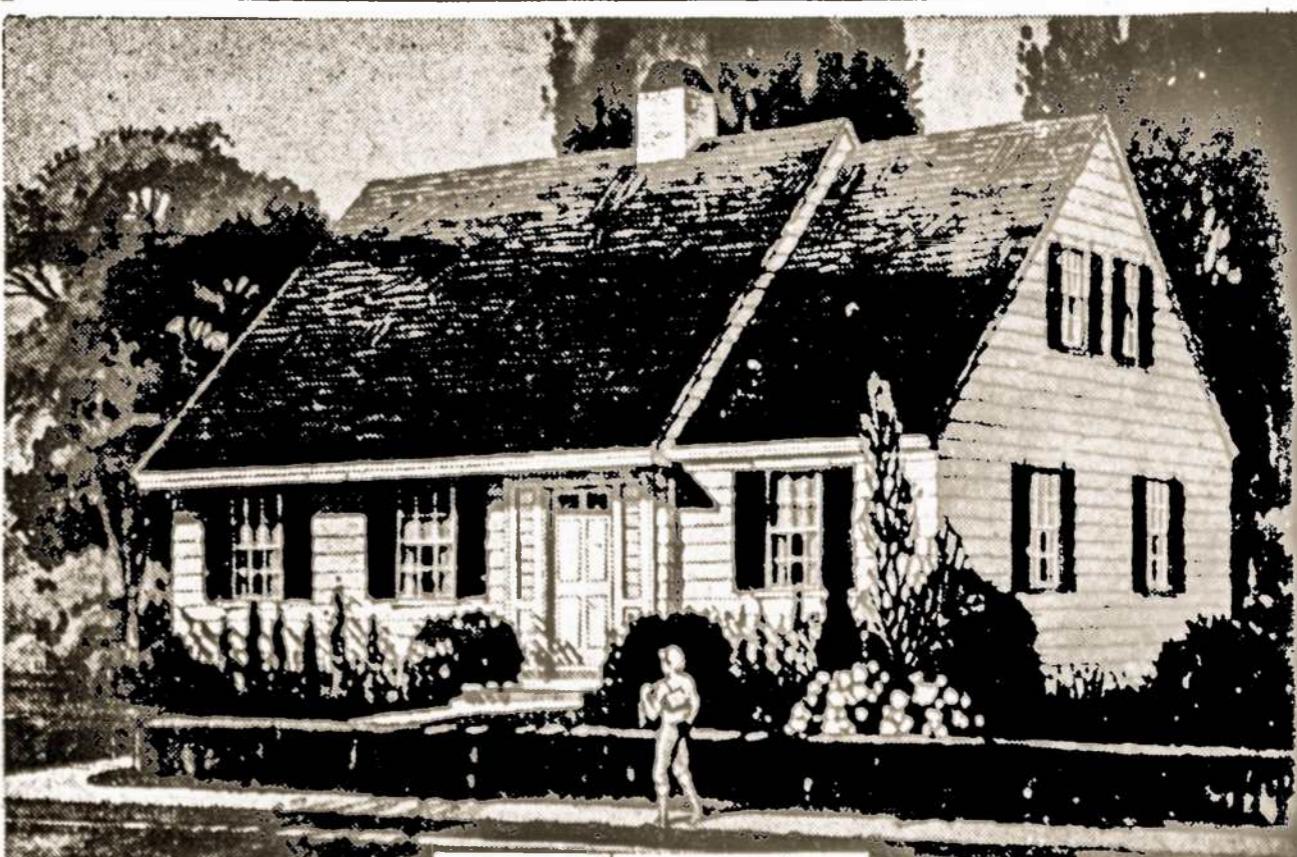
Mrs. Carroll Rich and two children spent Saturday with Mr. Rich at Ft. Devens.

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NO one has ever denied the value and comfort of a center hall, although space-economy has often eliminated it from the small house plan.

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Notice how Randolph Evans, its architect, who designed it for

the Monthly Small House Club, 140 Nassau Street, New York City, has achieved this plan-miracle. For one thing, he has combined both the entry and the bedroom halls so that one hall serves both purposes. Secondly, he has brought his cellar stairs out of the kitchen—where the door opening on them necessarily would occupy valuable wall space—and placed them in the hall. And, finally, he has placed

costing not a cent more than an ordinary bathroom. It has three walls and floor finished in sparkling tile; the fourth wall is constructed entirely of hollow Insulux glass blocks with inset ventilating louvers. These, being on the outside, flood the room with diffused daylight. They help, incidentally, to keep the room clean for people are tired in bright, well-lighted rooms. And don't be alarmed at their cost, for the architect has found that a panel of glass blocks is less expensive than a tile finished wall.

Mr. Evans has roofed the entire house with fire-resistant asphalt shingles in that very fashionable shade of brown—copper brown. These long-lived and economical shingles, with their surfaces of crisp, richly hued granules, distribute tiny lights and shadows over the entire roof, giving it greater depth and richness.

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Friday, November 29, 1940

EDITORIAL

OUR FAITH AND FUTURE

"I can see no reason why this nation should not progress, to great heights, provided we have wise leadership and regain our faith in ourselves" said Gen. Robert E. Wood of Sears Roebuck recently and we must agree with him. He further said, "All our wealth, our natural resources are valueless unless we regain our moral and spiritual values, unless we abandon our fetish of security and regain the spirit to do and dare. We have seen in a military sense how utterly false was the conception of defensive warfare—the nation that trusts to a Chinese Wall or a Maginot Line is sure to be conquered . . .

"I hope and believe our people are on the eve of a moral and spiritual renaissance—that the cheap cynicism of our so-called intellectuals is passing out, that the great fundamentals of home, family, religion and patriotism are being re-established. If they are, we have every reason to face the future with confidence."

I AM AN AMERICAN

Mrs. Wendell Willkie has written a wonderful message to the American people, written after her husband was defeated in the campaign for the Presidency. She says: "I am thankful that I am an American—that I live in a country where men and women may speak their minds, and disagree, and still be free; where men and women may worship as they choose, and not be questioned for it; where books are made to be read and preserved, not censored and burned; where children are born to live according to the lights God gives them, and to grow to the estates to which their several talents entitle them in a land of free enterprise.

"I am thankful that never in the history of the world has a dictatorship survived; that never has a subjugated nation remained for long in bondage.

"I am thankful that I live in a country where a united people will stand fervently behind their President-elect ready to labor hard and labor long in the interest of the one nation on earth which still guarantees to us as human beings the simple, decent rights that God must have intended human beings to enjoy."

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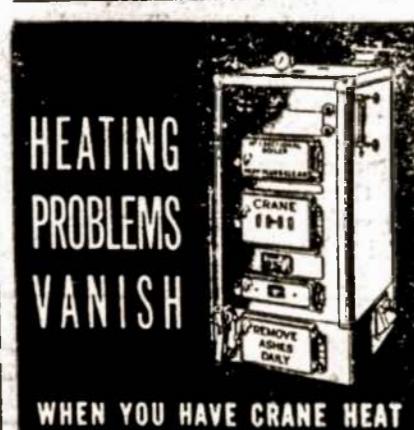
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